Funds by ILO for Re-Training Workers

2149. SHRI MOHAN BABU: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether ILO has offered any funds for re-training workers to take up new professions;

(b) if so, the funds offered by ILO;

(c) what other facilities ILO has offered to help workers to adjust to the new economic policy; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) ILO has been providing funds within the framework of Technical Support Services under their Regular Budget for Technical Cooperation for organising Tripartite seminars & workshops in India. The following workshops/seminars on the subjects relating to the effects of new economic policy on workers have been organised in India with financial support from ILO:

(i) National Conference on the Role of Trade Unions in a period of transition, organised by the National Productivity Council on 10-12 May, 1994.

(ii) National Tripartite Workshop on Economic Reforms, Employment and Poverty in India, 1-2 Septemebr, 1994.

(iii) Workshop on 'Economic Policies and Social Justice' organised by All India Trade Union Congress on 22—24 March, 1995.

(iv) A study was conducted by the Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad on Rehabilitation of Retrenched Workers under the 'National Renewal Fund'.

बाल मजदूरी को बढ़ावा

2150. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:** क्या श्रम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 22 नवम्बर, 1995 के "दैनिक जागरण" में "आयुर्विज्ञान संस्थान में बाल मजदूरी को बढ़ावा" शीर्षक से प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस पर सरकार की प्रतिक्रिया क्या है?

श्रम मंत्री (श्री जी॰ वेंकट स्वामी): (क) और (ख) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Committee to Review Functioning of EOUs/EPzs

2151. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have constituted a committee to revive the functioning of Export Oriented Units/Export Processing zones;

(b) if so, whether the said committee has submitted its report; and

(c) if so, the main recommendations contained in the report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) The Government had constituted a Committee to review the policy and procedures applicable to EOU/EPZ units on 19.1.1993, which submitted its Report on 14.12.1993. The major recommendations contained in the Report include broadening the area of activity to include trading, re-export after repacking/labelling, repairs, reconditioning and re-engineering, inter-scheme mobility, facility to remove excess capital goods into domestic market through partial debonding, unification of basic norms of various export promotion schemes, duty reduction on DTA sale of finished products and waste/scrap per-